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BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 554) (SUCCESSOR TO SF 370)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act establishing a pesticide administration and enforcement
- 2 fund and making appropriations.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 206.5, subsection 2, Code 2019, is
- 2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. Moneys collected by the department from
- 4 certification fees shall be credited to the administration fund
- 5 created in section 206.5A.
- 6 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 206.5A Pesticide administration and
- 7 enforcement fund.
- 8 l. A pesticide administration and enforcement fund is
- 9 created in the state treasury under the management and control
- 10 of the department.
- 11 2. The fund shall include moneys collected by the department
- 12 in fees as provided in section 206.5 and moneys appropriated
- 13 by the general assembly. The fund may include other moneys
- 14 available to and obtained or accepted by the department,
- 15 including moneys from public or private sources.
- 16 3. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the department
- 17 and shall be used exclusively to administer and enforce the
- 18 provisions of this chapter as determined and directed by the
- 19 department, and shall not require further special authorization
- 20 by the general assembly.
- 21 4. a. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, interest or earnings
- 22 on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund.
- 23 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys credited to the fund
- 24 that remain unexpended or unobligated at the end of a fiscal
- 25 year shall not revert to any other fund.
- 26 EXPLANATION
- 27 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 29 BILL'S PROVISIONS. This bill amends Code chapter 206,
- 30 the "Pesticide Act of Iowa", which is administered by the
- 31 department of agriculture and land stewardship (DALS). The
- 32 bill provides that all certification fees are credited to a
- 33 new pesticide administration and enforcement fund under DALS'
- 34 management and control to be used to administer and enforce the
- 35 provisions of the Code chapter.

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- 1 BACKGROUND. A person who applies a restricted-use pesticide
- 2 as designated by DALS rule must be certified as a commercial,
- 3 public, or private applicator. In addition to paying a fee,
- 4 the person must pass an examination or attend continuing
- 5 instructional courses. A commercial applicator is a person
- 6 engaged in the business of applying pesticides, a public
- 7 applicator is a person employed to apply pesticides by a state
- 8 or local government, and a private applicator is a person who
- 9 applies or supervises the use of a pesticide on property owned
- 10 or leased by the person.